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PRIORITIES AND PLANNING (P&P) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



September 1, 2009

| MEMBERS PRESENT | MEMBERS ABSENT | PUBLIC | PUBLIC, CONT. | HIV EPI AND OAPP STAFF |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| Jeffrey Goodman, Co-Chair | Douglas Frye | Jeff Bailey | Raquel Sanchez | Juhua Wu |
| Kathy Watt, Co-Chair | Ted Liso | Jim Chud | Scott Singer | |
| Robert Butler | Quentin O'Brien | Miguel Fernandez | | |
| Fredy Ceja | | Grace Gonzalez | | COMM STAFF/ CONSULTANTS |
| Michael Green | | Tonya Hendricks | | |
| Bradley Land | | Miki Jackson | | Jane Nachazel |
| Anna Long | | Everardo Orozco | | Glenda Pinney |
| | | Mickie Robbins | | Craig Vincent-Jones |

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- 1) **Agenda**: Priorities and Planning (P&P) Committee Meeting Agenda, 9/1/2009
- 2) Minutes: Priorities and Planning (P&P) Committee Meeting Minutes, 8/5/2009
- 3) Minutes: Priorities and Planning (P&P) Committee Meeting Minutes, 8/4/2009
- 4) **Policy/Procedure**: Priority- and Allocation-Setting Framework and Process, 7/27/2009
- 5) Spreadsheet: Grant Year 19 Ryan White Part A & B Expenditures by Service Categories as of July 31, 2009, 8/31/2009
- 6) Summary Key: Ryan White Part A/B Expenditures by Service Category, ongoing
- 7) **Spreadsheet**: Fiscal Year 2009 and 2010 Allocations, 9/1/2009
- 8) Spreadsheet: Revised OAPP Recommendations for Year 20 Ryan White Part A/Part B Allocations, 8/28/2009
- 9) Summary: Fiscal Year 2010 Priority- and Allocation-Setting, Paradigms and Operating Values, 4/7/2009
- 10) **Summary**: Consumer Caucus Summary, 5/14/2009
- 11) Summary: California HIV Insurance Continuation Options, 5/5/2009
- 12) Memorandum: SPA 1 Service Model and Allocations, 4/29/2009
- 13) Report: Legal Services Response to Request for Additional Information Regarding Benefits Denial Rates, 9/1/2009
- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Goodman called the meeting to order at 1:45 pm and attendees related their conflicts of interest.
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION #1: Approve the Agenda Order (Passed by Consensus).

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION #2: Approve the 8/4/2009, 8/5/2009 Priorities and Planning (P&P) Committee meeting minutes (Passed by Consensus).

- 4. **PUBLIC COMMENT, NON-AGENDIZED**: There were no comments.
- 5. COMMISSION COMMENT, NON-AGENDIZED:
 - Mr. Chud asked Frontiers if they were covering the sunset of Ryan White. They had not been aware of it and asked him to submit an article. He has done so, but expressed sadness at the lack of gay community awareness on the issue.
 - There will be a National Association of State and Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD) conference call on 9/2/2009 to update information on Ryan White reauthorization.

- 6. **PUBLIC/COMMISSION COMMENT FOLLOW-UP**: Dr. Green clarified that sunset of contracts pursuant to reductions necessitated by State budget cuts will be effective either on the date of Board action on 9/8/2009 or 30 days thereafter.
- 7. **CO-CHAIRS' REPORT**: There was no co-chairs' report.

8. FY 2009 PRIORITY- AND ALLOCATION-SETTING:

A. Benefits Specialty Report from OAPP:

- The Benefits Specialty service category was first allocated in FY 2009. Funds were re-allocated to Case Management, Psychosocial (CMP) with a Commission directive to target the \$800,000 to Benefits Specialty services.
- Dr. Green reported the Benefits Specialty RFP for FY 2010 is scheduled to be released within 30 days. SOWs for FY 2009 have not changed, but contracts can be reviewed to identify Benefits Specialty-designated positions. In addition, OAPP has also already launched basic BS training, which is mostly complete, for all psychosocial case managers to improve overall Benefits Specialty access.
- Mr. Vincent-Jones said the first Benefits Specialty trainings by Julie Cross, Benefits Consultant, are an overview of the service for all case managers that may help them with simpler cases. She will initiate 5-day certification trainings in Fall.
- Mr. Vincent-Jones agreed with others that access to benefits is improving, albeit not as the Commission envisioned in its directive. He expressed concern, however, about OAPP's reluctance to comply with the Commission's directive. OAPP should bring challenges in implementing any directive to the Commission so it can reconsider how to proceed.
- Dr. Green noted significant State cuts to CMP have already forced contract reductions. Renegotiating contracts now
 would cause significant administrative work and create further disruptive for providers. Changes can be effected more
 efficiently after the solicitation process is complete.
- OAPP will report on increased Benefits Specialty capacity for the 9/22/2009 P&P Committee Meeting.

9. PRIORITY- AND ALLOCATION-SETTING POLICY AND PROCEDURE:

- Mr. Vincent-Jones reported most revisions were updates to language, such as replacing "Service Provider Networks".
- Language has also been added to the appeals process section to ensure a definitive deadline for allocation appeal submission. The deadline is the P&P Committee meeting following the Commission's approval of allocations.
- ⇒ Revisions received consensus support and will be forwarded to the Commission for approval.

10. FY 2008/2009 EXPENDITURES:

- Dr. Green noted the \$1 million allocated to Medical Outpatient (MO) for Therapeutic Monitoring Program (TMP) is in the 7/31/2009 report. Other changes approved by the Commission will not appear until the Board approves them.
- Part B allocations reported reflect the Master Grant Agreement that ended 6/30/2009. Starting 7/1/2009, the State will issue all Federal and State funds to Los Angeles County as a block grant administered by OAPP. HRSA waived the State's need to report on Part B. The Commission allocates Part A/Part B funds together, but how to best report Part B now is not yet clear.
- Staff will coordinate with OAPP in revising the spreadsheet to reflect allocation changes pursuant to the reduction plan.
- ⇒ Dave Young, OAPP, will provide a detailed expenditures report for the 9/22/2009 P&P Committee Meeting.

11. FY 2010 PRIORITY- AND ALLOCATION-SETTING:

A. Allocation Revisions:

- Mr. Vincent-Jones presented a spreadsheet of allocations for FY 2009 and 2010 in dollars. Part B appears to have increased, but that is based on the block grant and subject to change as more information becomes available about, for example, needs previously covered by the State's Community and Home-Based Care.
- Figures are annual excepting approved fixed amounts and based on the FY 2009 award and expenditures as the FY 2010 award is not yet known. MAI annual figures are used rather than attempting to adjust for the differing grant years, e.g., FY 2009 includes Part A, MAI and MAI rollover while FY 2010 reflects Part A and MAI.
- The County has used percentages in the past, but shifted to dollars for FY 2009 revisions to increase clarity for the sharply reduced budget. Most jurisdictions do use dollars and, with tight economic times continuing, it was decided to move allocations into dollars for consistency.
- OAPP recommended two changes to FY 2010 allocations: 1) Reduce medical nutrition therapy to "0" consistent with the revised FY 2009 and 2) Reduce medical transportation to be consistent with FY 2009.
- OAPP also proposed shifting under-spent funds in any category to medical outpatient.
- TMP will be supported by reducing expenditures to \$1.5 \$2 million by encouraging providers to reduce viral load and CD4 tests to the standard of care thresholds. Shifting under-spent funds to medical outpatient should support the remaining TMP expense. Long Beach has found funding for its TMP. Pasadena has not as yet, but has less need.

- SPA 1 Medical Transportation was allocated \$170,000 to start a van service, but applications may offer less expensive options. FY 2010 allocations for overall Medical Transportation and other services will be reviewed again after the next State budget. Some consumers have been purchasing their own discounted disability TAP cards in light of the reduced allocations.
- Many consumers are bypassing closer oral health facilities to seek services either due to quality reputation or lack of knowledge about other sites. The result is uneven demand among sites. The elimination of Denti-Cal has also increased overall demand. OAPP can direct funds to sites most in demand, but such sites might not be able to increase capacity.
- The Committee confirmed that the SPA 1 service allocations are to be taken from each service category, rather than from off the top of funding as a whole.
- The Committee agreed to emphasize consumer education about available transportation discounts for disabled individuals.
- Commission staff will complete Policy Brief detailing all available oral health services and their locations.
- Commission and OAPP will revise the allocation spreadsheet for consideration at the 9/22/2009 P&P Committee Meeting. The revision will separate out MAI funds to be consistent with the OAPP spreadsheet.
 MOTION #3: (Goodman/Butler): Approve the revised OAPP Recommendations for FY 2010 with the following directives: 1) OAPP and the Commission on HIV will produce a final plan in absolute dollars in time for the next Commission on HIV Meeting and 2) the Commission on HIV authorizes OAPP to automatically redirect any Year 20 under-spending into the Medical Outpatient category (Withdrawn).
- 12. **MINORITY AIDS INITIATIVE (MAI)**: The MAI Subcommittee will meet 9/8/2009 to finalize the plan for the next three-year cycle.
- 13. PROCUREMENT/SOLICITATION PROCESS REFORM: This item was postponed.
- 14. **SPECIAL POPULATIONS**: This item was postponed.
- 15. **NUTRITION SUPPORT STUDY**: This item was postponed.
- 16. **GEOGPAPHIC ESTIMATE OF NEED FORMULA**: This item was postponed.
- 17. **ADVERSITY SECTORS**: This item was postponed.
- 18. **HOSPICE SERVICES NEEDS ASSESSMENT**: This item was postponed.
- 19. **2009 COMPREHENSIVE CARE PLAN**: This item was postponed.
- 20. **COMMITTEE WORK PLAN**: This item was postponed.
- 21. **OTHER STREAMS OF FUNDING**: This item was postponed.
- 22. **STANDING SUBCOMMITTEES**: This item was postponed.
- 23. NEXT STEPS:
 - Cancel 9/15/2009 P&P Committee Meeting.
- 24. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**: There were no announcements.
- 25. **ADJOURNMENT**: The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm.